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This document is a [REDACTED] copy of one of a series of route instruction booklets published biweekly by the Reichsbahn Directorate (RBD) Magdeburg for the use of its locomotive engineers. This particular issue covers the period [REDACTED]

The document lists all locations along the right of way under the jurisdiction of RBD Magdeburg which during the period covered required special attention of the locomotive engineer. The information is broken down by lines (in numerical but necessarily incomplete order) and within those lines again by sectors (numbered consecutively regardless of lines) or by kilometer points within sectors.

The 9 columns under each item are headed as follows: 1. Consecutive number; 2. Sector (at operational office or between operational offices); 3. Location; 4. Irregularities and speed limit; 5. Time of day or type of trains concerned; 6. Valid from ...(date); 7. until ...(date); 8. Loss of time to be expected; 9. Reason and miscellaneous remarks.

The information covers such items as stops for train control, reduced speed at temporary bridges, at curves, or at track sections under repair; poor track condition; danger of fire through sparks from the locomotive. For many bridges instructions are given to close the ashpan and not to fire the locomotive.

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